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### MR. HARRIS ANNOUNCES.

It has been generally known for some time that Mr. T. W. Harris would stand for re-election as councilman from the fifth ward, and his official announcement appears elsewhere in the Commercial this morning.

Mr. Harris has been a member of the board for several years, and has made a faithful and efficient official, having looked after the interests of his constituents with commendable fidelity and zeal. He is the proprietor of a large hardware store, and is generally regarded as one of the most astute business men in the city. He is thoroughly practical, and in voting upon matters which come before the council for consideration exercises the same discretion and good judgment that have brought him success in the management of his private affairs. He is noted for his sagacity, and can at all times be depended upon to advocate and support measures calculated to bring real and lasting benefit to Columbus and her people.

Not only is Mr. Harris a good business man, but he is a good citizen, exemplifying the highest type of Christian manhood. He is a faithful and consistent member of the First Presbyterian church, and has for many years been one of its officers, the congregation having long ago given official recognition both to his ability as a business man and to his fidelity to the religious cause by placing him on its board of elders.

By faithful and efficient work as a member of the council Mr. Harris has demonstrated beyond all cavil the fact that he is in every way qualified to capably discharge the duties of the office which he seeks, and his constituents can not do better than to re-elect him.

### A PERENNIAL SUPPORT FUND.

There has recently been introduced in the Legislature a bill making provision for perennial support funds for the three leading educational institutions of the state, the Industrial Institute and College in this city, the University of Mississippi at Oxford and the A. and M. College at Starkville, and those who have the best interests of these schools at heart sincerely hope that the measure will become a law, as its adoption will not only be a step toward placing them beyond the control of the politicians but will mean a cessation of the biennial bickerings over appropriations.

Under the present system the heads of the different institutions are compelled to make a fight at every session of the Legislature in order to secure funds for their support, funds which the state obligated itself to furnish when provision for their establishment was made, and the proposed law would obviate the necessity for this exceedingly disagreeable task.

The adoption of the measure would not only materially help the three institutions affected but would also prove beneficial to Lowndes county's representatives in both the House and Senate. Under present conditions these representatives are, to a large extent, prevented from active participation in general legislation through the constant fear of antagonizing some of their colleagues who will retaliate by working against the college appropriation bill when it comes up for consideration. Many men who have represented Lowndes county during the past twenty years in the Legislature have told us that on numerous occasions when they have opposed measures which they considered deleterious to the best interests of the state they have been approached by the proponents of these measures and told that unless they kept quiet they could expect retaliation in the form of an attack on the college appropriation bill.

Under the present system the leading educational institutions of the state, to a certain extent, are used as political pawns; as any influential politician is in a po-

sition to influence the appropriations, and should the head of the school or any of its known champions offend him in any way, can have the appropriation so greatly reduced that the work of the institutions would be greatly hampered. Under the proposed law this would be impossible, and its adoption would place the institutions affected upon a much firmer and more substantial basis.

### PROF. NASH ANNOUNCES.

Yielding to the solicitation of numerous friends, Prof. E. M. Nash has consented to become a candidate for councilman from the sixth ward, and the official announcement of his candidacy is this morning presented to the readers of the Commercial.

While Prof. Nash has never before offered for a municipal office, he is by no means a novice in politics or a new entrant into the local political arena. For twenty years he served Lowndes county as superintendent of education, having only recently retired from that office, and never did the people have a more faithful or a more efficient servant. He discharged the duties of the office with commendable discretion and zeal, his work having, in fact, been so zealous and so effective that, so far as the Commercial has heard, there were no complaints either from the patrons of the schools or the teachers employed therein. This is indeed a remarkable record and demonstrates conclusively the fact that Prof. Nash is well qualified both mentally and temperamentally to hold any public office where intelligence and good judgment are the paramount requisites.

Prof. Nash is the soul of honor and is as conscientious as he is capable. There can be no doubt of the fact that he is in every way fitted to acceptably discharge the duties of the office which he seeks, or that, if elected, he will make his constituents in the sixth ward a faithful and efficient representative on the councilmanic board.

### SOME EXCLUSIVE WAR NEWS.

The Commercial has engaged the services of Tell A. Whopper to act as its special correspondent at El Ambiguo, Mexico, and publishes the first of his dispatches this morning. Mr. Whopper is one of the most versatile little liars that ever beat a tattoo on a typewriter, and his dispatch, which follows, can be taken with as much credulity as a tip on the stock market or a prediction as to the outcome of a political contest:

El Ambiguo, Mexico, March 22.—News reached here tonight to the effect that Gen. Sagacio de Acumeno, Villa's adjutant-general and chief of staff, together with 10,000 men and 50,000 rounds of ammunition, were captured by United States troops at El Lio, today. Villa and his army are said to be hiding in the highpeak mountains, somewhere near El Catchem, and if our typewriters don't break down we'll have him surrounded and captured in time for the Sunday papers.

We always thought that cleanliness was next to Godliness, and were therefore surprised to note that an order recently issued by the British government specifying certain articles that must not be used while the war is in progress soap is placed under the ban.

In an article regarding a recent political campaign an editor referred to a certain issue as the "paramount" feature, and a reader who knew more about photo-plays than the English language wrote the paper requesting information as to what moving pictures had to do with politics.

The Pittsburg Dispatch pertinently remarks: "A New York congressman got himself into trouble by sending a letter warning his constituents against sailing on belligerent ships, but other members stick to the safe plan of explaining their vote in the Record."

Congressman T. U. Sisson has just written a letter to his constituents in Grenada trying to explain his action in voting against President Wilson on the ship warning question. The explanation offered, however, is not satisfactory, and the best thing Mr. Sisson can do is to confess that he made a mistake.

### MILLER SPEAKS HASTILY.

In a recent debate on the suffrage question at Jackson Senator Miller made a remark which some people construed as being a reflection upon members of the fair sex. Senator Miller subsequently stated, however, that he intended to convey no such meaning, and the incident passed.

As the following clipping from the Jackson News shows, Senator Stribling of this county was an active participant in the debate. His remarks, however, were couched in dignified and parliamentary language, and did not offend even the most ardent supporters of the suffrage cause:

State Senator Miller has pulled down a hornet's nest about his head, and will probably find it prudent to keep out of the way of the fair sex for a couple of weeks.

It occurred in the Senate chamber last Friday afternoon during the debate on the constitutional amendment making women eligible to serve on boards of trustees of state institutions, and in the office of state and county superintendents of education.

Senator Miller was supporting the Stribling amendment which sought to limit eligibility to women who have reached the age of 50 years, and who are the mothers of living children. Senator Miller is evidently an ardent opponent of suffrage for women, and engaged in a rather heated colloquy with Mr. Whittington, author of the amendment. During the debate Senator Whittington asked:

"Don't you think women would purify politics?"

"Would a hog purify a wallow?" retorted Senator Miller.

There were only a few women spectators present, but among them was Mrs. Nellie Nugent Sommerville, of Greenville, one of the pioneers of the suffrage movement in this state, and the remark reached her ears very distinctly. Mrs. J. W. Tucker, an officer of the Equity League, of Jackson, was in the gallery, and also caught the words.

A few minutes later Mr. Miller was given a stiff rebuke by Senator Van Boddie, who, during the course of his address, said:

"If we should rake and scrape the state with a fine-toothed comb, we couldn't find a woman more incompetent for holding public office than some of the men who are now in public office."

The Stribling amendment to the resolution, which sought to limit eligibility to women who have reached the age of 50 years, and who are the mothers of living children, was voted down after the author had made an earnest argument against conferring any form of suffrage or office-holding rights upon the fair sex. He made the usual anti-suffrage speech, saying that the entry of women into politics, instead of purifying the political arena would have a degrading effect on women."

Senator Miller was not in the Senate chamber this morning when a Daily News reporter endeavored to locate him or secure a statement concerning his language. It was stated by several of his colleagues that he had expressed regret concerning the matter, and that he really didn't intend to use a phrase of that sort, and also that he intends to make a personal apology to Mrs. Sommerville.

"I heard the remark, but I didn't take it as personal," was the only comment Mrs. Sommerville had to offer concerning the incident.

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### Chancery Notice.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

To Ed Bonner, Dave Bonner, and the unknown heirs of Webster Bonner deceased, the postoffice address of each being unknown, and Luella Love Tims, whose postoffice address is Tuscaloosa, Alabama:

You are commanded to appear before the Chancery Court of Lowndes County, in the State of Mississippi, on the first Monday of April, A. D. 1916, to defend the suit of Ralph Blair, wherein you are a defendant. This 11th day of March, A. D. 1916.

B. A. LINCOLN, Clerk.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

#### For Congress.

We are authorized to announce GUY W. MITCHELL, of Tupelo, as a candidate for Congress from the First Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce E. S. CANDLER, of Corinth, as a candidate for Congress from the First Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JAS. A. CUNNINGHAM, as a candidate for Congress, from the First Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

#### For Mayor.

We are authorized to announce W. C. GUNTER, as a candidate for Mayor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce E. S. DONNELL, as a candidate for Mayor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce LOUIS SHULL, as a candidate for Mayor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

#### For Councilman.

We are authorized to announce J. B. LOVE, as a candidate for Councilman of Ward 5, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce HENRY RECHTIN, as a candidate for Councilman of Ward 3, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce L. A. VAUGHAN, as a candidate for councilman from Ward 3, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce T. W. HARRIS, as a candidate for councilman from Ward 5, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce D. S. McCLANAHAN, as a candidate for Councilman from Ward 4, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce S. M. NASH, as a candidate for Councilman from Ward 6, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. T. CLARDY, as a candidate for Councilman from Ward 4, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

#### For School Director.

We are authorized to announce A. H. PEGUES, as a candidate for School Director, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

#### Notice to Creditors.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County. Letters of Administration having been granted and issued to the undersigned upon the estate of Mrs. Sophie Goodwin, Buder, deceased, by the Chancery Court of Lowndes County, Mississippi, on the 29th day of February, A. D. 1916.

This is to give notice to all persons having claims against said estate to Probate and Register same with the Chancery Clerk of Lowndes County within one year from this date. A failure to so probate and register said claim will forever bar the same.

CHARLES C. BUDER, Administrator.

This March 4th, 1916.

#### Notice of Sale.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

Mrs. H. P. Funderburke and Maggie Quinn vs. W. J. and Mrs. W. J. McClure.

Execution for 119.70; costs for \$6.90, \$126.60.

By virtue of the above stated execution to me directed by T. M. Cummings, a Justice of the Peace of the County of Lowndes and State of Mississippi, I will on Monday, the 3rd day of April, 1916, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Columbus, Miss., within legal hours, expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, interest and claim the defendant, W. J. McClure, has and into west half (W. ½) and west half of east half (W. ½ of E. ½) Section Eighteen (18), Township Seventeen (17), Range Eighteen (18) west, containing 440 acres, more or less. The north half of lots Nine (9) and Ten (10) in Square No. Two (2), of Robertson addition to the City of Columbus, Miss., all being situated and lying in Lowndes County, Miss., which has been levied on as the property of the said defendant, and will be sold to satisfy the judgment therein and all costs.

W. H. FOREMAN, Constable.

March 7, 1916.

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